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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MARIA TORRES and MELCHOR TORRES, individually and as Administrators of the Estate of EVERARDO TORRES,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CITY OF MADERA, MARCY NORIEGA, individually and as a member of the Madera Police Department, and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive,

Defendants.

AND RELATED CROSS-ACTIONS

CV F 02-6385 AWI LJO

CONSOLIDATED WITH CV F 03-5999

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO CONTINUE TRIAL AND OTHER DATES

This action arises from an incident in which Officer Marcy Noriega ("Officer Noriega") shot and killed Everardo Torres ("Everardo"). Everardo's estate and family ("Plaintiffs") have sued Officer Noriega and the City of Madera ("Defendants") under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and state law. In a consolidated case, the City of Madera and Officer Noriega have sued Taser International ("Taser") under a products liability theory.

On June 27, 2005, the court issued a memorandum opinion and order granting Plaintiffs' request for judgment pursuant to Rule 54(b) on Plaintiff's civil rights claim.

On July 1, 2005, all counsel filed a joint stipulation to continue the trial and other 1 2 pertinent dates in this action. Plaintiffs state that they intend to file an appeal within thirty days. 3 In light of Plaintiffs' intent to appeal, the court finds good cause to vacate the trial and other pertinent dates. Because the length of an appeal is unknown, the court declines to set a 4 5 new trial date at this time. After the appeal has been resolved, the parties should notify the court, and the court will set this matter for trial at the next available trial date. 6 7 Accordingly, the court ORDERS that: 8 1. The parties request to continue the trial and other pertinent dates is GRANTED; 9 2. The trial and all other previously set deadlines are VACATED; 10 3. This action is HEREBY STAYED to allow Plaintiffs to appeal to the Ninth Circuit; Within ten days of any ruling by the Ninth Circuit, Plaintiffs are DIRECTED to inform 11 4. 12 the court about the status of this case; and 13 5. Within fifteen days of any final ruling by the Ninth Circuit, the parties SHALL FILE a 14 request to lift the stay, a status report regarding this action, and a request for a new trial 15 date. 16 17 IT IS SO ORDERED. 18 Dated: <u>July 5, 2005</u> <u>/s/ Anthony W. Ishii</u> 0m8i78 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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